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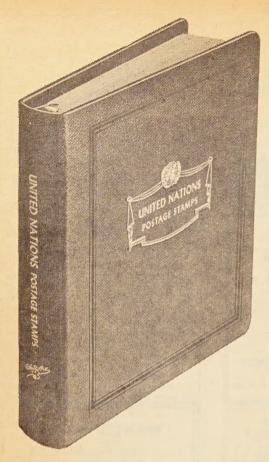
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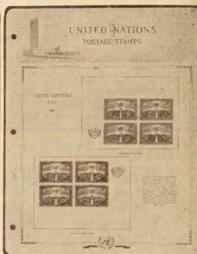
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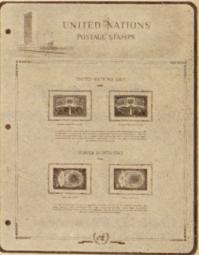
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Stamp Advisory Committee Mexico City Meeting Maps Plans for Joint Stamp Issue

N historical meeting of phila-A telic importance was a Mexico City, Mexico, on May -12, 1960, when a delegation of the Citizen's Stamp Advisory Commitee of the U. S. Post Office Department met with their counterparts of he Mexican Postal Administration. The purpose of the meeting was to arrange for stamps of identical design to be issued simultaneously by the two countries in commemoration of the 150th anniversary of Mexican independence. This is only the second time that the United States has thus acted in unison with any country, the first having been when the St. Lawrence Seaway stamp was issued in the same design on the same day by Canada and the U.S.A. On the latter occasion, it will be recalled. Queen Elizabeth II and President Dwight D. Eisenhower participated in the dedication cere-

The U. S. delegation to Mexico was headed by Franklin R. Bruns, Jr., Director of the Division of Philately, substituting for L. Rohe Walter, Special Asst. to the Postmaster General and chairman of the Committee, who was unavoidably detained at the last minute. Also in the U. S. delegation were William H. Buckley, Art Director of the J. Walter Thompson Advertising Agency; Donald R. McLeod, of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing; Bernard Davis, of the National Philatelic Museum; and the writer, H. L. Lindquist, head of the National Federation of Stamp Clubs.

The Mexican delegates who participated at some or all of the meetings included: Ing. Luis Girault, Deputy Director of Posts; and Senors Rafael Murillo Vidal, Director General of Posts; Rodolfo Bejar, Chief of the Transportation Division; Enrique Del Rey, Chief of the Stamp Division; Miguel Delgado Chavez, Chief Inspector. Also, the following members of the Mexican Consultative Committee on Stamp

Issues: Jose Lorenzo Cossio, an old friend of the writer who is an advanced specialist in Mexican stamps on which he has written several books; Jack Verrey, who is secretary of the Philatelic Society of Mexico and who conducts a stamp column called "Stamp World" in a Mexico City newspaper; Augustin Coronado; Leon Helguera, and Emilie Obregon.

The delegations, under the guidance of Earl J. Wilson, of the American Embassy, were received by Robert C. Hill, U. S. Ambassador to Mexico; and Senor Walter C. Buchanan, Secretary of Communications of Mexico. Mr. Buchanan placed his large conference room at the disposal of the committees for their meetings. Both Ambassador Hill and Secretary Buchanan expressed their enthusiastic approval of the idea for a joint issue, emphasizing the friendly relations between our two countries.

The committees of the two countries quickly arrived at several basic decisions. The stamps would be identical in design, with only the necessary difference in wording and as to the stamp values. The United

States will have a single stamp, of the 4c value; Mexico will have a single stamp, of the 30c value, but it will be part of the series of six stamps which that country had already decided upon for the September independence anniversary festivities. While the U. S. commemorative will probably have the usual 120 million issue, the Mexican output will not be over 10 million, each being gauged according to the country's needs.

It was also agreed that the stamps would be printed in the national colors of Mexico: red, white, and green, and that each country's stamps would be placed on first day sale simultaneously on September 16, 1960, in Washington and Mexico City, respectively, with appropriate ceremonies.

Preliminary sketches for consideration had been prepared by the U. S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing; and by Leon Helguera, a Mexican contestant who was later commissioned to prepare the final design. Mr. Helguera is well known to American collectors as he was for some years active in philatelic circles here, and has designed several



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U. S. and United Nations stamps. He also has been a frequent contributor to the editorial pages of STAMPS, and is our long-time friend.

The meetings lasted well into the evening, but with time out for interesting visits to Chapultepec Museum, in the park of the same name; to inspect the treasures in the Museum of History, a truly remarkable collection; and to the Villa Fontana, one of the splendid night clubs of Mexico City, where strolling violinists give it an unusually festive atmosphere. We were joined on this latter occasion by Dr. Jorge Girault, son of the Deputy Director of Posts; Sr. Alfonso de Garay, Chief of Personnel, Direccion de Correos; Sr. Raul D. Ortizosa, Chief of the Ad-

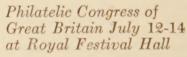
ministrative Department of the same; and Leon Helguera.

A visit to the Mexican Bureau of Engraving and Printing had also been arranged so that we could study their methods and be sure that we could both execute the selected design in a similar manner. We were conducted through the plant by Sr. Mario Baron Arce, Chief of the Technical Department of the Bureau; and Sr. Adolfo Murillo Soto, his assistant, under the suspices of Sr. Jesus Arvizu Llano, the Director General. The Bureau has a battery of three Giori presses, which can print in two colors at the same time. The stamps are printed on pregummed paper stock, imported from England, and which is automatically

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At the second business session on July 13th balloting will take place for the election of the Hon. Secretary, the Hon. Treasurer, and the Hon. Auditor. At the close of the business portion of this session a paper will be read by F. S. Wall, Esq., titled The Gibbons Catalogue -Sales List or Work of Reference.

The third business session on July 14th will bring announcement of the results of ballots, at the end of which Sir John Wilson, Bt., K.C. V.O., will read a paper entitled Modern Trends in Philately-Good or Bad.

At 12:15 p.m. they will leave Royal Festival Hall for the Congress Luncheon at Stationers Hall, and at the ceremony for the signing of the Roll of Distinguished Philatelists there will be an address by L. N. Williams, entitled Fred J. Melville and Organized Philately. Prizes to winners in the annual Melville Memorial Competition for juniors will be presented by Miss Vera McKechnie; and the closing address will be given by T. E. Field. F.R.P.S.L.

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The item was headed "Stamps of Belief."

E. H. Moshi, of the Mosden Stamp Com-pany, Queen's House, Leicester Square, London, W.C. 2, England, is on a long trip visiting many countries. Among them will be the Netherlands, Italy, Greece, Turkey, Israel, South Africa, Kenya, Nyasaland, Ethiopia and Ger-many. He will be back in London early in July in time for the London International Exhibition. During his abscence the business is in charge of Maurice Elias and Lewis Lawrence, and all correspondence and orders will be promptly attended to.

Our thanks to Vittorio Lo Bianco Inc., New York, and Venetia F.D. Covers, Venice, for first day covers of the Pius X and World Refugee sets of Vatican City, recently issued and reported in our New Issues department. Our thanks also to Dhirubhai Mehta, Bombay, for a cover of the first flight of Air-India, Bombay-New York, dated May 14, 1960, and to the Portland, Me. Stamp Club, the Texas Philatelic Association, and the Oak Park Stamp Club of Michigan for covers of their recent shows. We would also like to thank Lorenzo H. Bevilaqua, of Miami, Fla., for copies of Brazil's Brasilia set and a card postmarked on the date of President Eisenhower's recent visit to Brasilia.

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In the last ten years Mr. Van Noten has staged in Belgium a number of art and cultural exhibitions, and is considered that country's foremost contemporary artist. He is skilled in many art forms, and is presently in the United states on a special assignment to design, stage, and promote the World's Trade Fair in the Coliseum in New York City, chosen for this task by the group of Inner Nations of Europe, consisting of Belgium, Holland, France, Luxembourg, Italy, and West Germany. As Mr. Davis says of him, "There is hardly an artist who can equal Van Noten's versatility." His murals and tapestries have received international acclaim, as have his works as a sculptor, and we philatelists are all familiar with his remarkable productions in postage stamps.

Baltic States Exhibition in Montreal

THE Estonian, Latvian, and Lithuanian Philatelic Clubs held an exhibition in Montreal, Canada, April 23-24, 1960, which was officially opened by Postmaster General William Hamilton.

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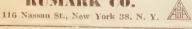
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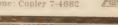
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Also sent to press in May were Jefferson "Credo" plates 26628 and 26629the later having been assigned during April. Other plates sent to press include 26630, 26635 and 26636 for the 10-cent "Liberty Bell" international air mail stamp which will first be released June 10, 1960, at Miami, Florida, and certain regular 3 and 4-cent plates.

Plates assigned during April also included Nos. 26639, 26640, 26647 and 26648 for the 50-Star Flag stamp scheduled for July 4, 1960, release; plates 26643 to 26646 for the 4-cent American Woman commemorative which will appear June 2, 1960; master plate 26649 for the 4-cent Boys' Clubs of America commemorative and plates 26641 and 26642 for the 11/4-cent regular postage stamp in sheet form, which will be placed on sale June 17, 1960, at Santa Fe, New

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N JUNE 3, 1960, the Leo and Samuel August First Day Cover Award will be presented to Kent B. Stiles, stamp editor of The New York Times, at a dinner in his honor at the Advertising Club in New York. This, therefore, seems an appropriate time for us to publish a "Flowers for the Living" article which we have long had in mind for Mr. Stiles. His contributions to the field of philately have been considerable, but he has also served effectively in other fields, a fact not so widely known as it should be. So we are glad for an opportunity to spread knowledge of his accopmlishments as a public-spirited newspaperman and editor in other avenues of endeavor than our own hobby.

Kent was born in Pittsfield, New Hampshire, the son of the Rev. William Curtis Stiles, Congregational minister, and Cape Cod-born Mary A. A. Newcomb. Kent's father later became one of the editors of the original Standard Dictionary; and his mother wrote short stories for the fondly remembered The Youth's Companion. With that heritage, Kent quite naturally turned to writing for his professional career.

Kent was a cub reporter in the famed Park Row era when the New York World was located there and was one of the spots every visitor to New York had to see. His salary was a handsome \$15.00 a week, plus an expense account, which, as a minister's son, Kent probably did not pad. Those were the "good old days" when a fellow continued to work year after year at the same salary, however, so if he did "pad" the expense account a little bit, who could blame him? But he had other remunerations, such as covering the baseball games of the Dodgers, who, like himself as to salary, always were waiting 'til next year for victory. But waiting can be onerous after a while, so Kent moved on to a better salary deal and an eighteen-hour-aday stint at the Brooklyn Eagle.

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Kent B. Stiles

story for the A.P. For seven years, then, Kent was thrown into intimate contact with such important personages as Theodore Roosevelt, William Howard Taft, Woodrow Wilson; and Herbert Hoover, then Secretary of Commerce. Those were years of bigtime newspaper work for Kent.

His experience as a newspaperman quite logically led to a job as editor of a business magazine: today's Distribution Age, published in Philadelphia, but in those days known as Distribution and Warehousing. For eighteen years this activity took Kent all over the United States and Canada; and during that period he brought about what is today recognized as having been a great achievement of vast and lasting importance.

About 1923 national distributors and public warehousemen who stored

shippers' goods were using negotiable warehouse receipts (which are legal documents), no two of which were alike in size, color, or text. As a magazine editor in the field, Kent made a habit of doing constructive thinking on behalf of his industry, and in relation to this particular problem he asked himself: "Why should shippers and public warehousemen have to use so many different negotiable receipts?" Kent visualized standardization. He wrote letters, and more letters to persons who might be able to initiate steps towards this goal.

He assembled warehouse receipts from 400 sources. He contacted Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover, who was known for his devotion to the practicability of standardization. Mr. Hoover invited Kent to Washington. Kent took along his 400 receipts and had Mr. Hoover's aides spread them over tables, desks, chairs, anywhere there was space in the office, and they made an impressive silent plea for his cause. Mr. Hoover was won to it immediately. He authorized Kent to issue bids in his name to a national distribution conference. He wrote personal letters to key executives.

During the next few years such conferences were sponsored by Mr. Hoover and publicized by Kent. Distributors met in Chicago, Cleveland, New York, Atlantic City, Washington. At each conference Herbert Hoover eulogized Kent as the inaugurator and architect of the movement; and Kent nursed the project through to a triumphant conclusion. Today there is one standardized receipt, sustained in many courts as the legal one. It is a document that is in constant use; and since the middle nineteen-twenties it has probably saved millions of dollars for the American business world.

Kent likes to tell of a time not so long ago when, passing the New York Public Library, he espied in the passing throng none other than Herbert Hoover, but had little thought that the great man would remember him. He was not a little surprised, therefore, when this muchbeloved former President of the United States suddenly saw him, smiled, and waved to him. Remembered, after all these years, by a man whose life had been filled with meetings with so many thousands! It was a thrill any one of us would have liked to experience.

And now, having given some episodes of Kent's life in other fields. we will mention but briefly his achievements in philatelic journalism, which are already widely known among adherents to our hobby. From 1910 to 1937 he edited, at various times, the stamp departments of The American Boy, Boys' Life, and The Youth's Companion. He has been stamp editor of The New York Times since mid-1937.

Kent is the author of Stamps—An Outline of Philately, published in 1928 by Harper & Brothers; and Geography and Stamps, published in 1931 by McGraw-Hill Publishing Co., Inc. He helped to launch Scott's Monthly Journal forty years ago, and has written for it regularly since then.

Kent B. Stiles can truly be called the Dean of Philatelic Writers in America. He is widely read and quoted. His page in the Sunday edition of The New York Times ranks with the best. It is always timely, accurate, unbiased, dependable, in the true tradition of the newspaper reporter who takes pride in his profession and seeks always to live up to its highest ideals. He has the respect and liking of everyone who has read his column and recognized these qualities in his reporting, and they are legion. He is one of the few truly professional writers in the field of philately, one practiced in the art of effective writing, one who never departs from the ideal of honest and truthful standards in reporting. For his originality of ideas and splendid manner of presentation in his articles and books he is unsurpassed. And besides this, as a person, he is sincere, earnest, a true friend; he has been and still is a great influence for good in philately. The writer is proud to be able to call him friend, and to be called friend by him.

Kent's nomination as the winner of the Leo and Samuel August First Day Cover Award is a well-deserved honor. He has never been one to seek honors for himself, but in seeking him out the American First Day Cover Society has set an example of proper public recognition to this modest man which we hope will be followed

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By F. E. METCALFE

7 Leather Lane, Liverpool 2, England Editor, Commonwealth Catalogue of KGVI and QEII Stamps

OUT of the close to 70 countries which have issued World Refugee Year stamps, only three issues have come from countries of the British Commonwealth. While I do not favor a flood of issues from Commonwealth countries, this is one instance where I would have liked to have seen an exception made.

I have had several letters from readers of STAMPS concerning the British stamps which have been treated for electronic sorting. Naturally, the catalogs are not up to date on these because they are of such recent issue. All wanted to know just what stamps to look for, so here is a complete check list to date.

GRAPHITE (black lines only on the back): St. Edwards Crown watermark, the ½d, 1d, 1½d, 2d, 2½d, 3d, Crown watermark, ½d, 1d, 1½d, 2d, 2½d, 3d, 4d, 4½d.

GRAPHITE/PHOSPHOR (black lines on back, plus almost colorless phosphor lines on face): St. Edwards Crown watermark, ½d, 1d, 1½d, 2. Crown watermark, 2d, 2½d, 3d, 4d, 4½d.

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The newcomer, which is causing some confusion, is the Graphite-Phosphor 2d with St. Edwards Crown watermark, for when the stamps were officially announced, no mention was made of them.

I don't know how many readers of these notes have obtained the few values of the South African zoo set which have appeared with the "Arms" watermark If you still have to get these stamps, my urgent tip is to buy now, for there will be no more printings of the 4d, 6d, and 1/- values. These have been replaced by the new commemoratives, which will remain on sale until the new currency issue appears next year. Incidentally, the 4d value was apparently off sale at the Pretoria Philatelic Bureau before the replacing commemorative came out. I cannot think of any recently changed stamps with better prospects among the Commonwealth issues, with the possible exception of the G. B. stamps overprints. These latter are certainly rising fast.

Mohawk Air Inaugurals Indefinitely Postponed

THE inaugural flights on AM-94 announced on page 245 of our May 14th issue for service at Oneonta, New York, and Meadville, Pennsylvania, have been postponed indefinitely, we are advised by the Bureau of Transportation, Post Office Department. Presumably those from the other cites named in that item will take place as announced.

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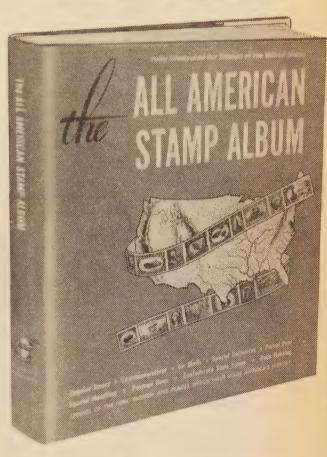
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U. S. to Issue Japanese U. S. Treaty Anniversary Stamp

POSTMASTER GENERAL Arthur E. Summerfield has announced that the United States Post Office Department will issue a stamp commemorating the 100th anniversary of the first treaty to promote mutual understanding and good will between Japan and the United States. An announcement on the new stamp was also made simultaneously on May 23rd in Japan by U. S. Ambassador Douglas MacArthur, 2d.

Ambassador MacArthur noted that the Japanese diplomatic mission arrived in Washington, D. C., Navy Yard 100 years ago after a three-month voyage on various ships. While in Washington they ratified the first comprehensive treaty Japan had ever signed with a foreign power.

The President has proclaimed the year 1960 to be the "United States of America-Japan Centennial Year." The Centennial which is being celebrated on both sides of the Pacific is a notable event in the history of U.S.-Japanese relations.



U. S.-Japanese Treaty Stamp

One hundred years ago the U. S. and Japan exchanged ratifications of the Treaty of Amity and Commerce which they had concluded two years before.

The first Japanese Diplomatic mission to go abroad in modern times visited the United States for this purpose. This year, the President will visit Japan, while the Crown Prince and Princess of Japan will visit the United States on the occasion of the Centennial of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the United States and Japan.

The new stamp will be of the 4-cent denomination used in the United States for domestic first class mail. It was designed by Miss Gyo Fujikawa, an American artist of Japanese parentage (Nisei) now living in New York City.

Miss Fujikawa, born in Berkeley, California, attended the Chouinard Art Institute in Los Angeles; taught there for several years; and then spent a year in Japan. Returning to the United States she worked for the Walt Disney Productions, Twentieth-Century Fox, and the William Douglas McAdams advertising agency.

Since 1951, Miss Fujikawa, a member of the Society of Illustrators, has dofree-lance work in the advertising at magazine art fields and illustrated charges books, the latest being "A Child Garden of Verses" by Robert Louis St.

One hundred and twenty million these United States-Japan stamps, 0.8 inches by 1.44 inches, arranged verticall will be printed in two colors, pink ar black. They will be placed on "First Daysale in Washington, D. C. on Septemb 26, the date of the expected arrival of Crown Prince Akihito and his conso on their good will tour to America.

The stamp features a view of the Washington Monument in Washington D. C. with sprays of Japanese cherriblessoms around its base. The letterine "United States-Japan" is prominently displayed on the left hand border about the dates "1860-1960". Across the bottom of the stamp the legend "U. Spostage" and "4c" appears.

Collectors residing outside the Unite States who desire "First Day" cancellations of the 4-cent United States-Japa commemorative stamp may send addressed envelopes, together with remittance, by International Reply Coupons or International Money Order to cover the coof the stamps to be affixed, to the Posmaster, Washington 13, D. C., U.S.A. They are reminded the first-class letter surface rate from the United States to Japan is 8 cents per ounce. A close fitting enclosure of postal card thickness should be placed in each envelope and the flagither turned in or sealed.

Mexican Independence Anniversary To Be Jointly Honored by U. S. & Mexican Stamps

POSTMASTER General Arthur E. Summerfield has announced the joint isst ance by Mexico and the United States of commemorative postage stamps on September 16, 1960, honoring the 150th anniversary of Mexican Independence.

Except for the necessary difference in captions and denominations, the Mexican Independence stamps issued by both nations will be identical in design, featuring the bell now at the National Palac in Mexico City which is rung each year by the President of Mexico to signal the beginning of the Independence anniversary. This historic bell was brought to Mexico City from Dolores where Migue Hidalgo rang it in his church in his calfor independence.

This design is the result of the cooperative efforts of Leon Helguera of Mexico and Charles R. Chickering of the United States Bureau of Engraving and Printing. It was approved in Mexico City recently by postal officials of Mexico and members of the United States Post Office Department's Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee.

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U. S.-Mexico Stamp

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This is the first time the two countries will issue postage stamps embodying the same basic designs. The stamps will be of the 30 centavos denomination for Mexico and the 4-cent denomination for the United States, these being the respective rates for first class letter mail in and between each country. Both stamps will be printed in red and green on white paper, thereby featuring the Mexican national colors.

One hundred and twenty million of the United States stamps will be issued. The site of their first day sale will be announced later.

Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield in announcing the Mexican In-dependence stamps said, "The govern-ments and peoples of the United States and of the great nation of Mexico-governments and peoples who share a long common and peaceful border — have learned to live side by side in friendship and in harmony.

"It is indeed significant, in these days when international crises are all too frequent, that our two countries have created this atmosphere of good neighborliness-an atmosphere of mutual respect, understanding and trust-and thus contributed to the well-being and progress of each. It was with these thoughts in mind that I proposed to Rafael Murillo Vidal, Director General of Posts of Mexico, in November, 1959, that our two nations jointly issue Mexican Independence stamps in 1960."

The Postmaster General recalled that the friendly relationship between the two nations was further evinced, during the past year, by the visits of President Eisenhower and his brother, Dr. Milton Eisenhower, to Mexico and by the state visit of President Adolfo Lopez Mateos of Mexico to the United States.

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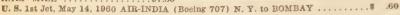
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TIPOFF -

BOLIVIA-Have you ever tried finding a mint set of Scott's #251-268, the 1939 Animal series which has been postally used extensively? Collectors of animals on stamps who trying to include it in their collections are having a hard time to find this set mint. No stocks are on hand anywhere, and the supply is very low. Another worthwhile set to include in your collection is #274-280, a set of "stamps on stamps." Finally, Nos. 357a and b, 358a and b, C155a and b, and C156a and b, eight souvenir sheets commemorating the athletic championship matches of 1948, are recommended. More than half Scott's valuation is being asked for these seemingly low-priced souvenir sheets which are disappearing into collections faster than they can be replaced by dealers from whom they are purchased.

CANADA—A cursory glance into Scott's catalog might make it seem easy to find Scott's Nos. 303-4, 318-19, 349-350, and 357-58, since Scott prices them so low. But eight out of ten dealers do not have them in stock. These stamps have long been due for an increase in value, and because they are rather difficult to find, at least here in the United States, price changes will have to take place sooner or later. My recommendation is to get them now. They should go up in the next Scott catalog.

SCOTT'S MAY MONTHLY JOURNAL PRICE CHANGES—LAOS—Scott's #25-26 went up from \$4.00 to \$6.00, #C13 from \$25.00 to \$37.50. Today the net selling prices for these postage and airmail stamps is pretty close to these figures and in some instances even more. Further upward valuations can be expected in the 1961 Scott catalog. Korea—The often mentioned 1948 Olympic Game issue, Scott's #85-86, went up again, this time from \$30.50 to \$40.00. Nos. 91-92 went up from \$8.00 to \$22.00! No. 95, the 1949 U.N. issue increased from \$5.00 to \$8.00, and #132-173, the famous Flag issue, had its long-expected price increase and

now catalogs at more than double the 1960 catalog valuation. JAPAN — Often mentioned in this column, #154 went up from \$25.00 to \$32.50; the Athletic Meet commemorative, Scott's #505-508, went up from \$6.80 to \$10.00; #518a increased from \$6.00 to \$10.00. The famous airmail souvenir sheet, #C8, tipped and recommended here several times, rose from \$45.00 to \$65.00. LEBANON— Scott's #C221-222 went up from \$3.50 to \$5.00 and should be bought now while still easily obtainable. This pair sells for around \$3.50 net, and the heavy influence of U.N. related issue collectors will bring a further price increase, soon making this new valuation outdated. Li-BERIA - Scott's #C70a, the souvenir sheet, is priced for the first time at \$2.25, while #340a, the postage souvenir sheet, is still left unpriced. Both souvenir sheets exist perforated and imperforated, and therefore, should be bought in a set of four. Today, the selling price of these sheets is from \$4.50 to \$5.50, so it seems that the valuation of #C70a is somewhat on the low side.

R.P.S. of Canada's 32nd Exhibition and Convention

THE thirty-second Annual Convention and Exhibition of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada was held at Kitchener, Ontario, April 28-30, 1960. Over 500 frames of competitive material were exhibited at the Granite Club, arranged by the host club, the Kitchener-Waterloo Philatelic Society on their 25th anniversary.

The Court of Honor included a display by Dr. G. M. Geldert, president of the Society, consisting of the Pence Issues of Canada. Also seen was a mint block of twenty-five of the Inverted Seaway Stamp, shown by the Canada Post Office. Other displays in the Court of Honor were shown by the Collectors Club of New York, the Switzerland P.T.T., and the British North American Bank Note Co.

C. P. de Volpi, Westmount, P.Q., won the Grand Award, a Gold Medal, the Seagram Trophy for 19th Century Canada, and the Philatelic Specialist Society of Canada's Medal for Research for his showing of 19th century Canadian adhesives on cover, illustrating their usage and the postal rates for domestic, transocean and across-border mail.

Other winners were as follows: Gold Medals— R. V. C. Carr; George L. Lee; C. L. Marston; J. J. Matejka; and Ed Richardson

Other special trophy winners were C. L. Marston, B. T. Smith, Max Werner, A. G. McKenna, George L. Lee, C. H. Magee, Wm. Erbach, R.C.A.F. Station Alymer Stamp Club and S. V. Soanes.

The Hon. William Hamilton, Postmaster General of Canada was the guest of honor at the banquet held following the closing of the exhibition and presented the trophies and awards.

-A. H. Christensen

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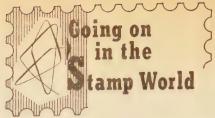
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June 8 - Washington Philatelic Society, 2017 I St., N.W., Washington, D. C., meeting.

June 8 — Atlanta Stamp Collectors Club meeting at 7:30 P.M., at the Pershing Point Office of the Bank of Georgia, 1430 West Peachtree St., N.W., Atlanta, Ga. Maj. William Underwood will present a program on German stamps

June 8-The New York Chapter of the Scandinavian Collectors Club meeting at 7:30 P.M., at the Norwegian Seamen's House, second floor, 62 Hanson Place, Brooklyn, N. Y. A short talk on the characteristics of the Scandinavian languages will be presented by the president. Visitors welcome. Further details on the club are available from Carl H. Werenskiold, 111-17 120th St., South Ozone Park 20, N. Y.

June 10-Garfield-Perry Stamp Club meeting at 8:00 P.M. at the Hollenden Hotel, Cleveland, O. William A. Wallace will conduct program on "Belgium-First Specialized Issue."

June 15-Philatelic Society of Cincinnati meeting at 8:00 P.M., at the Hotel Sinton, Cincinnati, O. Hance Danzinger will be guest speaker.

June 16-The Glen Ellyn Philatelic Club, Glen Ellyn, Ill., will be guests of the Chicago Philatelic Society at their meeting. Program includes R. M. Freiburg showing his Geophysical Year col-lection, Morgan Tucker displaying early U. S. issues, and W. Lee Fergus talking on the Pony Express Centennial celebration.

June 21-The Long Island Chapter of the Vatican Philatelic Society meeting at 8:00 P.M., at the Morris Park Council (Continued on page 389)



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Continuing from last week let's look at the other towns and cities that used the large Old Style Bureaus, and while reviewing them we will also go into the other Bureaus from these places.

Albany, the State Capital, used only coils with the large Old Style types. The 2-cent turned out to be a real good one, closely followed by the 3c Lincoln. Among the Small Old Style you find several scarce items, among them the 11/2c sideview Harding and the 30-cent G-C cat. No. H54. This last item really is worth watching. Most of those one runs across are with dated control, but even they are scarce. Following this item, we believe the 15c Statue of Liberty is a good one, and you may have to do some hunting until you run across a copy of the 3c Stuart Washington with this type in good condition. Check your catalog for the other denominations that will bear watching, like the 1/2 cent Nathan Hale, and others.

> **ALBANY** N. Y.

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In the Presidential section we find two items which are better than all the other Albany Bureaus mentioned so far, none other than the 20c and 15c with the wide-spacing overprint, WITHOUT the dated controls. However, even with the dated controls, these two denominations are not common. There are several other high values without the controls that are good property to have, even among the narrow-spacing Presidentials. Since most of the narrow Presidentials have been replaced with the Liberty series, you had better get your set complete while they are available. When we talk of high values, we usually mean the denominations above the six-

It is really surprising to find a low value Presidential from Albany that is

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a potential rarity. The stamp I have in mind is the 11/2c wide-spacing G-C cat. No. H69. It will cost you quite a bit even now if you still need it.

In the Defense section you will find a scarce one listed from Albany, the 1c wide-spacing.

Binghamton is our next stop. best in the perf. 10x10 series is the 2cent, closely followed by the 1-cent. However there are a couple of items in the compound set, that is the 11x101/2 series, which rate quite a bit more than the perf. 10x10 mentioned. Those are the 1-cent G-C cat. No. B12 and the 8-cent No. B20. If you don't believe it, try and find some centered copies. Among the coils we have the 11/2c, which stands out like a sore thumb against the 1c and 2c. It will cost you many times the amount you have to pay for the last two items mentioned. All items from Binghamton so far mentioned are of course in the large Old Style types.

In the small Old Style section, it's again a coil which will cause you a little headache. This is the 1½c sideview Harding G-C cat. No. H58. There also are a couple among the sheet stamps which are not easy to pick up, namely, 11/2c full-face Harding and the 5-cent.

In the Presidential section we find the 1/2c and 1c wide-spacing that will cost you more than \$1.00. A surprising thing, in the Defense section, is that the 1c narrow is better than the wide-spacing.

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ARGENTINA-On May 28, 1960, a six-value set was issued honoring the 150th anniversary of the May Revolution, as forecast in our November 21, 1959 issue. The values, colors, designs and editions are as follows: m\$n1.00, violet, D. Comelio Saavedra, five million; m\$n1.80, sepia, Dr. Mariano Moreno, three million; m\$n2.00, grayish-green, Dr. Juan Jose Paso, three million; m\$n4.20, gray and green, Dr. Manuel Alberti and Dr. Miguel de Azeuenaga, two million; m\$n5.00, sep a and reddish-violet, Dr. Manuel Beignaro and Dr. Juan Jose Castelli, two million; m\$n10.70, dark gray and blue. Dr. Juan Larrea and D. Domingo Matheu, two million. All the stamps show the Cabildo of Buenos Aires in the background. The stamps, designed by E. Miliavaca and

R. W. Grand, were printed by photogravure by the Casa de Moneda in sheets of 100. Also issied were two ministing sheets, in an edition of 70,000 each. One of the sheets contained the three lowest values of the set; the other contained the highest values.

-Ministry of Posts

AUSTRALIA New 3d and 6d postige due stemps were issed on May 25, 1969. The 5d., green stamps, commanorating the Centenary of the first Queensland post-ze stamps, will be released on November 2, 1950, instead of November 1st, the date originally scheduled as reported in our April 23rd issue.

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> -Australian News & Information Bureau, New York

AUSTRIA-Edwin Mueller, New York City, reports that the 1 S. Youth Hostel stamp, released May 17, 1960, reported in our May 21st issue, was recess printed by the Austrian State Printing Works in sheets of fifty.

Our thanks to Joachim Dill for cards with special cancellations for the Spring Fair at Graz, which was used from April 30 to May 8, 1960, and for the Austrian Broadcasting exposition, dated April 29,

BELGIAN CONGO-RUANDA-URUNDI - Our thanks to Editions Rodan for first day covers and copies of the five-value Olympic Games set issued May 2, 1960, as reported in our May 21st issue. The values are 50c. + 25c., 1.50F.+ 50c., 2 F. + 1 F., 3F. + 1.25 F., and 6.50F. + 3.50F.

BELGIUM—Our thanks to Editions Rodan for a first day cover of the World Refugee Year souvenir sheet issued April 7, 1960, reported in our April 23rd issue.

CANADA-Our thanks to the following for their first day covers of the 5c stamps issued May 19, 1960, commemorating the 300th anniversary of the Battle of the Long Sault, forecast in our April 16th issue: E. S. Anasir; Walter F. Anderson; Leonard Clark; Edward L. M. Fitz-Patrick; Mrs. J. Guidolin; Paul C. Hamilton; and Malcolm Mackay.

CHINA (COMMUNIST)—Our thanks to the China Philatelic Co., Peking, for a first day cover and copy of the two-value set issued May 9, 1960, commemorating the 15th anniversary of the liberation of Czechoslovakia from the Nazis. Both stamps have an 8-fen value. The first shows the flags of China and Czechoslovakia with pioneer youths of the two countries. The second stamp shows a view of Prague, the capital of Czechoslovakia. The stamps were designed by the artists of the Postage Stamp Issuing Bureau and printed by photogravure in multi-color, in sheets of fifty, by the Peking Postage Stamp Printing Works.

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COLOMBIA - Our thanks to Diego Silva-Parra, Bogota, for first day covers of the thirteen-value Flower set issued May 10, 1960, as reported in detail in our May 14th issue, and for a first day cover of the Avianca souvenir sheet issued May 17, 1960, as forecast in our May 14th issue.

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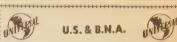
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From Aarhus Frimaerkehandel we have the above cover with information that the special first day cancellation shown on it is for a new ship line opened May 8, 1960, between Grenaa, Denmark, and Varberg, Sweden. The shipping company is a Norwegian firm, and on board the ferry are letter boxes for Danish, Norwegian, and Swedish mail, which has to be franked with stamps from the respective countries. The covers make an interesting item for EUROPA collectors.

sheet of the 60 cts. airmail of the Abraham Lincoln set to be issued about June 10, 1960. The values will be 20 cts. for regular postage, and 40 and 60 cts. for airmail.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA-Our thanks to Artia for a first day cover and copy of the 60h., black stamp issued April 22, 1960, honoring the 90th anniversary of the birth of Lenin, reported in our May 21st issue. The design was by Prof. K. Svolinsky and the engraving was done by Ladislav Jirka. The stamp was rotary recess printed at the Post Printing Office in Prague in sheets of fifty.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA—Our thanks to Artia for first day covers and copies of the five-value set issued May 5, 1960, commemorating the 15th anniversary of the liberation of Czechoslovakia from the Nazis, forecast in our February 20th issue. The values, colors, designs, designers and engravers are as follows: 30h., red-brown and blue, Soviet soldier holding a child, Mario Stretti, Jiri Svengsbir; 30h., green and blue, Soviet soldier with liberated political prisoner, Anna Podzemna, Jiri Svengsbir; 30h., red and pink, child, Anna Podzemna, Bedrich Houda; 60h., blue and orange, a welder of heavy industry, Viktor Polacek, Jiri Svengsbir; 60h., brown and green, tractor driver of agriculture, Viktor Polacek, Jan Mracek. The stamps were printed by the rotary recess print combined with photogravure in the Post Printing Office in Prague.

DENMARK-Our thanks to Martin Bostrom, Sweden, for a card with a special cancellation dated May 14, 1960, in honor of the Hobby Exposition for U.N. Refugee Year aid.

ECUADOR—Our thanks to J. Kapon. Dr. Roberto Levi Castillo, Jose Levy and the Director General of Posts for first day covers and copies of the following:

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FINLAND-The General Direction of Posts and Telegraphs has announced the following new issues:

On June 4, 1960, a 30 mk. stamp will be issued to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the birth of the Finnish chemist, Johan Gadolin. The stamp, designed by Olavi Bepsalainen after a sketch Kai Noramies, and engraved by R. Achren, will be issued in an edition of

One June 13, 1960, a 30 mk. stamp will be released to honor the centenary of the birth of the writer Hj. Nortamo. The stamp, designed by Olavi Bepsalainen and engraved by S. Ronnberg, will have an edition of two million.

On June 18, 1960, a 30 mk. stamp, designed by Pentti Rahikainen and engraved by R. Achren, will be released to commemorate the Karelian National Festival celebrated in Helsinki June 18-19, 1960. There will be an edition of two million.

On July 26, 1960, a set of two stamps. in the values of 10 mk. and 30 mk., will be released to honor the 12th General Assembly of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics, to be held in Helsinki. The stamps, to be issued in an edition of two million each, were designed by Olavi Vepsalainen and engraved by R. Achren.

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Japan's stamps on first day cover from K. W. Hatate honoring the centennial of the Japanese-American Treaty of Amity and Commerce. The United States is issuing a stamp later this year for the same anniversary. Covers came also from a number of other of our Japanese friends, as reported in this week's new issues.

0.05 F., Michel de L'Hospital; 0.20 + 0.10 F., Turenne; 0.20 + 0.10 F. Boileau; 0.30 + 0.10 F., Jean Martin Charcot; 0.30 + 0.10 F., Bizet; 0.50 + 0.15 F., Degas.

On June 18, 1960, a 0.20 N.F. stamp will be released to honor the 20th anniversary of the birth of the Free French movement.

-Gimbel's Stamp and Coin Dept.

GERMANY (WEST)-Our thanks to Gerd Kleinhempel and Ernst Reitzig for first day covers of the 10 Pf. stamp issued May 17, 1960, honoring the Oberammergau Festival, forecast in our May 7th issue.

Our thanks to Joachim Dill for cards and covers with the following special cancellations: May Day demonstration at the place of the Republic in West Berlin dated May 1, 1960; European Conference of the Boy Scouts at Altenberg / ueber Bergisch Gladbach, dated May 6, 1960; the consecration of the Cathedral of Hildesheim dated March 27, 1960; Camping from Berlin-Charlottensbrug dated March 17, 1960; and Camping from Essen dated April 12, 1960.

GUATEMALA—We are informed by the Direction General of Posts and Telecommunications that 50,000 copies of the Q. 0.06 stamp have been issued with an overprint reading "Founding of the City of Melchor de Mencos, 20-IV-1960."

HAITI - Our thanks to the Agence Philatelique Haitienne for copies and first day covers of the overprinted 28th anniversary of the Haitian Red Cross set issued May 8, 1960, as reported in our May 21st issue. The values are G. 0.20, G. 0.50, G. 0.60, G. 1.00; G. 1.35, G. 2.00, and G. 2.50.

On May 30, 1960, a six-value set was issued honoring the Haitian Sugar Industry. The stamps depict Miss Claudinette Fouchard, Sugar Queen of 1960, against various backgrounds. The denominations and colors are as follows: regular postage—G. 0.10, gray-violet and ochre; G. 0.20, dark gray and brown-orange; G. 0.50, light blue and dark brown; G. 1.00, sepia brown and olive green; airmails G. 0.50, dark brown and redlilac; G. 2.50, sepia brown and ultramarine. The stamps were printed in sheets of fifty by Helio Courvoisier S.A. of Switzerland.

IRAQ-Our thanks to Ali A. Samawi and J. Hannaney for first day covers and copies of the 10 Fils commemorative, honoring the poet Elresafi, issued May 10, 1960. The stamp, printed by the Egyptian Department of Survey, in sheets of fifty, in an edition of one million, was to have been issued last year.

IRELAND-The World Refugee Year set, reported in our April 16th issue, will be released on June 20, 1960. The 3d. (mauve) and 1/3 (brown stamps will be of double size and recess-printed by Messrs. De La Rue, Clonskeagh, Dublin, on paper watermarked with the letter "E." The set, to be printed in sheets of 120 copies, will be inscribed "Blian Dideanach Domhanda / 1959-1960." A special first day cancellation will be used.

On September 19, 1960, a commemorative will be issued to honor the founding of the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations.

-Department of Posts and Telegraphs

JAPAN-Our thanks to the following for their first day covers of the 10 and 30 yen stamps issued May 17, 1960, as forecast in our March 12th issue, honoring the centennial anniversary of the Japanese-American Treaty of Amity and Commerce: Kunihiro Wm. Hatate; Kanai Stamp Co., Ltd.; S. Miyake; Kenzi Miwa; Meiso Mizuhara; Kazuo Mori; Shozo Murace; Hajime-Nakanisi; Kenji Nakatani; Ako Onishi; William J. Ross: H. Tsuge; Riichi Yoshida.

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MONGOLIA—Our thanks to Philatelic Hungarica, Budapest, for copies of the two-value set issued April 22, 1960, honoring the 90th anniversary of the birth of Lenin. The values are 40 mungs (rose) and 50 mungs (lilac).

NEW ZEALAND-Our thanks to Herbert Duke and the Rev. Brother S. G. McNamara for first day covers of the three-value Westland Centennial set issued May 16, 1960, as forecast in our March 25th issue. The values are 2d., 3d., and 8d.

PARAGUAY-Joseph Kyrtak, Auburn, N. Y., reports finding a 23.40G. value of the World Refugee set, reported in our May 7th issue, which is imperforate on the right side adjacent to the right-hand margin of the sheet.

PHILIPPINES—On May 26, 1960, a 2 centavo stamp, the 11th of the Famous Filipinos Series, was issued to honor Jose Abad Santos, who was killed on May 2, 1942, for refusing to collaborate with the enemy. The gray stamp will be issued in sheets of 100, in an edition of fifteen million. The first day postmark was dated May 2, 1960, the originally scheduled date of issue.

-Bureau of Posts

SINGAPORE—A set of two stamps, featuring the State Flag of Singapore in red and white, has been ordered from Joh Enschede & Sons, Holland, to be issued on June 3, 1960, Singapore National Day. The values and background colors are as follows: 4c., sky blue; 10c, dove gray.

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-Post Office Section for Philately

SWEDEN — Our thanks to Martin Bostrom and Edward Lindstrom for cards and covers with the following special cancellations: the Czechoslovakian Exhibition at the Stockholm Postal Museum, dated May 6, 1960; the Lion's Club performance of the ancient play, "The Monk and the Bird," at Simrishamn, dated May 8, 1960; and the Linkoping Collectors Exhibition dated May 8, 1960.

UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC (SYRIA) -Our thanks to the Direction Generale of P.T.T. for copies of the 12½ P. value, issued May 17, 1960, in honor of the anniversary of Evacuation Day. The bilingual stamp bears the legend in English and Arabic "We demand absolute independence." There was an edition of 250,-000.

URUGUAY-Our thanks to J. Santiago Rachitoff for a first day cover of the four high values of the Dr. Martin C. Martinez set, issued May 16, 1960. The stamps, depicting the portrait of the noted statesman and economist, are in the values of 2 (orange), 3 (green), 4 (brown), and 5 (red) pesos. There was an edition of 20,000 of each value.

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Sometime in June 1960, five complementary values of the Martin C. Martinez set will be issued in the following values and editions: 3c one million; 5c, three million; 10c, three million; 20c, one million, 1 peso, 500,000.

VIET NAM (SOUTH)—Our thanks to Boske Stamps, Manchester, Conn., for a first day cover of the four-value International Red Cross set released May 8, 1960, as forecast in our January 16th issue. The stamps, featuring the portrait of Henri Dunant, are of the following values and colors: 1d., blue: 3d., green; 4d., red: 6d., purple.

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A USED copy of the Jackson 2c black of 1861-66, cataloging \$3.00, was sold on May 16, 1960, at an H. R. Harmer sale in New York for a world-record price of \$700.00. It was a copy with wide margins, and possibly the finest in existence. It opened at \$460, with Howard Lehman and an unidentified overseas mail bidder competing for it, the latter eventually capturing it.



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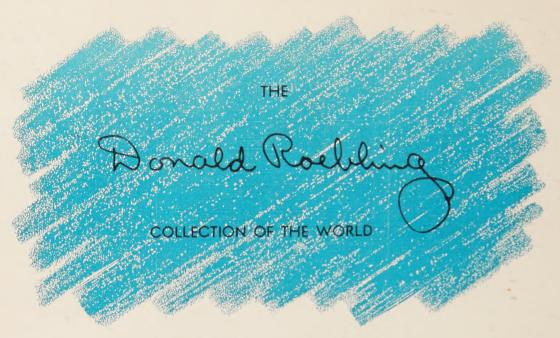
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